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SUBJECT: US REPRESENTATION AT ANNIVERSARY TUNISIAN
INDEPENDENCE.

TUNIS/PARIS FOR AMBASSADORS; CANBERRA/SYDNEY FOR VP ADVANCE

TEAM:CANZERI/MCGUIRE

1. VICE PRESIDENT ROCKEFELLER WILL SERVE AS PRINCIPAL US
REPRESENTATIVE AT CEREMONIES IN TUNIS MARKING TWENTIETH
ANNIVERSARY OF TUNISIAN INDEPENDENCE. HE WILL BE ACCOM-
PANIED BY MRS. ROCKEFELLER AND MRS. ROCKEFELLER'S DAUGHTER,
MISS MALINDA MURPHY.

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2. VICE PRESIDENT PLANS TO ARRIVE ABOARD AIR FORCE TWO AT

9:20 A.M. ON SATURDAY, MARCH 20, AND TO DEPART FOLLOWING MORNING MARCH 21 AT 8:40 A.M. FOR PARIS. HE WILL PARTICIPATE IN FULL SCHEDULE OF OFFICIAL FUNCTIONS ON MARCH 20, INCLUDING FORMAL PRESENTATION OF DELEGATIONS TO PRESIDENT BOURGUIBA, AFTERNOON EVENT AT PALAIS DE SPORT, AND PRIME MINISTER NOUIRA'S DINNER IN EVENING.

3. EMBASSY SHOULD ARRANGE PRIVATE MEETINGS FOR VICE - PRESIDENT WITH BOURGIBA AND PRIME MINISTER MOUIRA AT SOME CONVENIENT TIME
MARCH 20. PLEASE ADVISE BY IMMEDIATE CABLE.

4. IN ADDITION TO VICE PRESIDENT'S FAMILY, PARTY WILL CONSIST OF APPROXIMATELY 15 STAFF MEMBERS, PLUS SECRET SERVICE AND AIR CREW--APPROXIMATE TOTAL 80. COMPLETE LIST TO FOLLOW ASAP.

5. FOR TUNIS:

- A. PLEASE INFORM GOT OF VICE PRESIDENT'S PLANS AND CONFIRM ABILITY BOURGUIBA AND NOUIRA TO MEET PRIVATELY WITH VICE PRESIDENT.
- B. PLEASE FURNISH COMPLETE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS PLANNED FOR MARCH 20 IN WHICH VICE PRESIDENT AND MRS. ROCKEFELLER WOULD BE EXPECTED TO PARTICIPATE.
- C. PROVIDE GUIDANCE CONCERNING DRESS REQUIREMENTS AT VARIOUS FUNCTIONS.
- D. REQUEST LIST OF OTHER COUNTRY DELEGATIONS EXPECTED TO ATTEND, AND NAMES OF HEADS OF DELEGATIONS (AS AVAILABLE)
- E. MAKE APPROPRIATE TENTATIVE RESERVATIONS FOR ENTIRE PARTY. APPROPRIATE VIP SUITES REQUIRED FOR VICE PRESIDENT, MRS. ROCKEFELLER, AND MISS MURPHY. NEED APPROXIMATELY 15 ROOMS FOR STAFF, AND 30 FOR SECRET SERVICE, COMMUNICATORS, AND AIR CREW. DETAILS TO FOLLOW SEPTTEL.
- F. EMBASSY WILL BE ADVISED SEPTTEL NAMES AND DATES OF ARRIVAL OF ADVANCE TEAM, AND SPECIAL NEEDS.
- G. PLEASE ASSIGN CONTROL OFFICER AND CABLE NAME SOONEST.
- H. ALL MESSAGES CONCERNING SCHEDULE OR ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO THE DEPARTMENT AND TO THE CONFIDENTIAL

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VICE PRESIDENT'S OFFICE SLUGGED QUOTE DEPARTMENT FOR A AND WHITE HOUSE FOR VICE PRESIDENT'S OFFICE - CAPT. HOWE UNQUOTE.

- I. PLEASE CONFIRM NO VISAS REQUIRED FOR TUNISIA.
- J. WHITE HOUSE PREFERS NO OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT OF VICE PRESIDENT'S VISIT BE MADE AT THIS TIME. WE WILL COORDINATE PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT LATER.
- K. POST HAS AUTHORITY TO DRAW UPON TOTAL USG RESOURCES

AS NECESSARY IN COUNTRY TO SUPPORT VISIT.

6. FOR PARIS: SEPTTEL FOLLOWS CONCERNING PARIS REARRANGEMENTS. KISSINGER

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